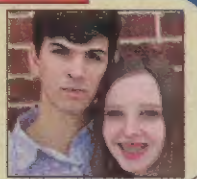


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Due to severe erosion

Elba City Council members declare emergency project for culvert on Putnam Street

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba City Council member declared an erosion issue on Putnam Street an emergency project Monday night, April 11, during its regular meeting.

The recommendation to declare the project an emergency came after a report from project engineer DeAnn Grantham, Southern Engineering Solutions, provided the city with a report that indicated the culvert on Putnam Street experienced failure during a recent rain event.

In a letter to Mayor Tom Maddox, Grantham said, "At this time there is severe erosion at the inlet of the pipe and the extend of the damage to the pipe cannot be determined due to the stormwater not being able to properly drain."

She said the erosion could cause the roadway to collapse undermining the travel path. Further, she said several homes are nearby, and any road undermining would affect the structural integrity of those foundations.

"As this is a typical rainy time of the year any additional storm event will cause more damage creating an urgent critical need," Grantham said. "This would cause more erosion as more rainfall occurs. We recommend hiring a contractor to excavate the blockage immediately and repair the damage."

With the council's approval Monday night to declare this an emergency situation, the process can begin immediately to get the damage repaired.



The Elba Chamber held its annual awards banquet "under the lights" of the downtown square last Thursday, April 7th. A large crowd was in attendance for the special event, which included a performance by the LBWCC Ensemble. See more on Page 10.

Coffee County Probate Office in Elba asks citizens to vote now in Legacy of Hope decorating contest

When it comes to probate offices across the State of Alabama, the month of April means National Donate Life Month, and again this year, the Coffee County Probate Office [Elba Division] is joining others across the state to bring more awareness to this cause.

Probate Offices across the state are partnering with Legacy of Hope and participating in a decorating contest being held this month. The employees of the Coffee County Probate Office [Elba Division] hope their design will be the number one pick! National Donate Life Month, observed each April, helps to encourage Americans to register as an organ, eye, and tissue donor, and it further honors those who have saved lives through the gift of donation.

Voting for the best Donate Life Month Decorating Contest, hosted by Legacy of Hope, is underway now. The employees of the Elba office for Coffee County Probate ask citizens to support their efforts by visiting the Legacy of Hope



Citizens asked to vote for Coffee County's entry in the Legacy of Hope decorating contest, which is designed to bring awareness to organ donation.

Alabama official Facebook page and cast a vote for the Coffee County Probate Office design.

To vote:

- Go to the Legacy of Hope Alabama facebook page (facebook.com/legacyofhopeAL)
- View the Posts
- Find and "Like" the

Coffee County Probate Office [Elba Division] photograph - as shown with this article

Then, help spread the word by sharing the post, but remind everyone that only votes cast on the official Legacy of Hope Alabama page will count towards the contest numbers.



JOSH CARNLEY REAPPOINTED TO STATE BOARD... Josh Carnley (center) of the Ino community in Coffee County was recently reappointed the At-Large Director for Coffee County on the Board of Directors of the Choctawhatchee, Pea and Yellow Rivers Watershed Management Authority (CPYRWMA). Probate Judge Jodee R. Thompson (right) administered the Oath of Office on Tuesday morning, April 12, during a ceremony held at the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba. Carnley serves as a Coffee County Commissioner, representing District Three. He and his wife, Valerie, have three children. He is actively involved in Ino Baptist Church, where he serves as a deacon and teacher. Also pictured is Lisa Harris, executive director of the CPYRWMA. The CPYRWMA is a state agency that is responsible for developing plans and programs relating to water resource management in the areas of water quality, water quantity, flood control, and water conservation education. The river basin covers 2.3 million acres in southeast Alabama.



County commissioners vote to approve lease agreement with State of Alabama for SBI office to be constructed

by Linda Hodge, Editor

In a relatively short meeting Monday morning, April 11, Coffee County Commissioners approved executing a lease agreement with the State of Alabama for a State Bureau of Investigations [SBI] office to be constructed in Enterprise.

County administrator Rod Morgan said the county leaders had been working jointly with the City of Enterprise and Enterprise Industrial Development Board for some time to make this happen. He said the Enterprise Industrial Development Board had transferred the property, and a lease agreement had been created.

Upon his recommendation, commissioners unanimously approved authorizing the property lease agreement with the State of Alabama for an SBI office to be constructed in Enterprise.

Commissioner Jimmy Jones said he was happy



Coffee County Commission vice chairman Josh Carnley presents a proclamation to Kaley Green with the Pike Regional Child Advocacy Center recognizing April as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Awareness Month. Coffee County is one of the counties served by this organization, which is working to open a satellite office in the county, according to Green. She thanked Coffee County for its continued support.

to see this project come to fruition and having an SBI office locally would be a good thing.

Also, upon the recommendation of the county administrator, commissioners voted to approve a resolution adopting the updated flood damage prevention plan for the county and approved a bid with Combined Public Communications for the phone services at the county

jail.

County engineer Marty Lentz only had one item to bring before commissioners Monday morning. He asked them to deem some engine oils and transmission fluids no longer needed by the county as surplus property to allow for these items to be listed for sale on GovDeals.com. Lentz said these oils and fluids were used with various pieces of equipment over the years that the county no longer owns.

His request was approved with no opposition.

Environmental services manager Mike Thornton also only had one request for commissioners. He asked for permission to bid a "used" 2019 to new 4-wheel pickup truck to purchase. He said this vehicle would be utilized by the landfill foreman.

His request was approved. The next Coffee County Commission meeting is set for Monday, April 25, at 9 a.m., in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

Notice:

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Friday, April 15, for Good Friday.

Area Happenings

THE EVERGREEN CEMETERY BOARD IN ELBA will meet Thursday, April 14, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

A COMMUNITY SUNRISE SERVICE will be held Easter Sunday, April 17, at 6:20 a.m., at Westside Baptist Church, located at 1026 Caroline St. Elba, Ala. Breakfast will follow the sunrise service. All are invited to attend.

ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION will be Wednesday, April 20, and Thursday, April 21, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the EES conference room. Parents/Guardians should bring the child's birth certificate, Social Security number, shot record, and proof of residence. The child should also attend registration.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

“Veterans know better than anyone else the price of freedom, for they’ve suffered the scars of war. We can offer them no better tribute than to protect what they have won for us.” – Ronald Reagan

The Russian/Ukraine war continues to generate graphic horrors of war. While we continue to read articles listing reasons the Russians will stop the war, we suspect there are actually ‘hopes’ that Putin will stop the Russian attack on it’s smaller neighbor, but it ain’t going to happen without someone paying an extremely high price . . . like ceding much or maybe most of Ukraine to Russian control. Our concern then would be which country Putin would attempt to take over next (like Hitler did), but this time profiting from Hitler’s mistakes. Putin would probably be slow, taking a country and getting it completely under Russian control before attacking another one. Now we have no inside information for all this military intelligence above, but we do have strong opinions!

The Alabama legislature recently passed laws banning things called “puberty blocker or gender transition treatment” for minors. This is another field where we are far from being the expert. Never having been exposed with one of these issues, it is hard to know what our reactions would be ‘when under fire.’ However, we respectfully agree with forbidding parents and medical professionals from taking such drastic actions with youth that will change their lives forever. While these ‘puberty blockers’ and/or surgical actions may ultimately prove to have been right for a dozen minors, there could also be one that had differing opinions after reaching maturity. If these permanent alterations have been done as a youth, this child’s (now adult) life is ruined. We urge medical folks ‘in the trenches’ with these parents and impacted youth to make a concerted drive to get factual, and historic, data necessary to govern this issue (maybe downplaying the emotional issues) and then either accept and support the new laws or recommend and work for practical changes in their wording and application involving our most valuable assets . . . our youth.

Our wife Heddy has been dead for over a year now and we are still impatiently waiting for the proper gravestones to be installed at the gravesite. Now we didn’t complete the order for a couple of months and were told then there was a minimum six-month backlog due to unprecedented demand due to COVID and supply chain glitches. Both those issues have upended business worldwide. However, it is hard to sit here and want something done NOW which just isn’t going to happen. The only positives to this situation, for us and an untold number of other families nationwide, is that we are in good company and closer to completion than we were a year ago!

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, April 5, 2022, and Monday, April 11, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Apr. 5 – Disturbance reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:44 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 221 W Davis St (3:52 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 911 Farris Ave (4:43 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Hickman Ave (4:58 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 2272 Taylor Mill Rd (7:26 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1500 Forest Lake Dr (9:55 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1213 Farris Ave (10:02 p.m.).

Wednesday, Apr. 6 – Suspicious person reported at 412 N Claxton Ave (8:18 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Hwy 87 (8:26 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (10:08 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 764 N Claxton Ave (12:30 p.m.); Civil complaint reported at 2272 Taylor Mill Rd (1:04 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (2:49 p.m.); Civil complaint reported at 406 Moore Ave (4:28 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in six citations, one advice given, and two verbal warnings.

Thursday, Apr. 7 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 2833 Hickman Ave (8:23 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Beaver Dam St (8:48 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 – warning issued to driver (11:04 p.m.). Twelve traffic stops resulted in four verbal warnings, six citations, one report, and one arrest.

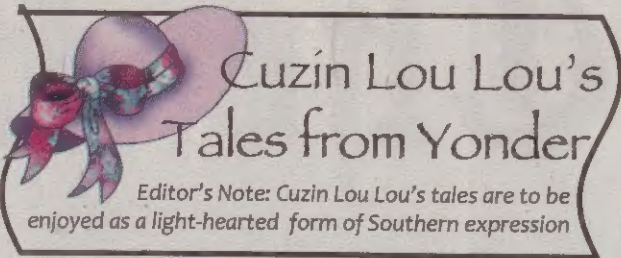
Friday, Apr. 8 – Suspicious person reported on Tucker Ave (12:14 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1115 Simmons St (3:36 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 775 N Claxton Ave (5:44 a.m.); Assault reported to Elba Police (10:34 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1157 Morrow Ave (3:13 p.m.); Disorderly person reported at 506 Putnam St (5:17 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 406 Moore Ave – an arrest was made (5:42 p.m.); Noise complaint reported on Cedar Lane Dr (11:35 p.m.). Twenty-two traffic stops resulted in 12 citations, nine verbal warnings, and one advice given.

Saturday, Apr. 9 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 1085 Neil Grantham Dr (3:04 a.m.); Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card reported to Elba Police (9:32 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 891 Old Samson Rd (10:00 a.m.); Harassment reported to Elba Police (1:13 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (2:32 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 2695 Hwy 166 (3:54 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Hwy 87/Hwy 134 (7:12 p.m.). Twenty-one traffic stops resulted in 10 citations, one arrest, six written warnings, three verbal warnings, and one report.

Sunday, Apr. 10 – Suspicious circumstances reported on Hickman Ave (12:09 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 737 Lee St (5:10 a.m.); Reckless driver reported at 2143 Hwy 84 (12:56 p.m.); Assault reported at 615 Jackson Ave (1:37 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 14744 Hwy 87 (8:11 p.m.). Ten traffic stops resulted in one arrest, two verbal warnings, six citations, and one written warning.

Monday, Apr. 11 – Prowler reported on Reynolds Ave (4:38 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 510 Dixon St (10:13 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1026 Caroline St (12:30 p.m.); Civil complaint reported on N Cordelia Ave (2:24 p.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 87

(7:31 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Guyton St (8:16 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 595 Newton St (10:51 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in two citations, and one written warning.



Cuzin Lou Lou recently had a fight with fever blisters, and those mean buggers just about won the battle with her!

Lou Lou has always suffered with the pesky little things, but this recent outbreak was by far the worst she has ever experienced. Her entire bottom lip was covered with the monsters!

For days, Lou Lou was convinced her lip arrived at any and all destinations before the rest of her body. She literally had that bottom lip poked out, so, even when Sister would say, “tuck that lip in” there was no way possible for it.

And the pain...there simply are no words for it!

Of course, Sister is negative for the virus that causes the monsters; therefore, she has absolutely no understanding of just how terrible they are to the sufferer. And, she tends to think Lou Lou is a “baby” when it comes to pain...she is wrong, but that is what she says!

Fortunately, there were enough people in Sister’s circle that also suffer from the monsters, and they helped explain just how miserable it was for Lou Lou. Only then did she show a bit [stress a bit] of leniency in calling Lou Lou a baby.

This outbreak was so bad that Lou Lou lis-

tened to EVERY piece of advice fellow sufferers had to give her on getting rid of them, and she purchased every vitamin, cream, med, etc. that she could get her hands on! She even learned of a prescription medication that she plans on insisting her doctor write ‘script for the next time they sit down to discuss health!

Then, there were the “things to do to prevent them” suggestions...yep, Lou Lou bought and is using those things too!

All of a sudden her medicine cabinet went from just a few items to overflowing, but anything that will kill, prevent, or do whatever to those mean ‘ole fever blisters is now necessary!! The only good thing Lou Lou found from having the outbreak was the day or two that drinking milkshakes were ‘okay’ because she was in too much pain to eat.

A word of advice to anyone else who suffers from the mean creatures...any time you know you are going to be out in the sun, take a Bayer aspirin that morning! Lou Lou is a current believer and practitioner in that one!!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling! Also, from the whole Yonder Gang – Have a Blessed Easter!!

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Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>

CHRISTINE S. NELSON
Mrs. Christine S. Nelson, age 94, of Kinston, Ala., died Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at Opp Health and Rehabilitation in Opp, Ala.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 8, 2022, from Rhoades Cemetery with Rev. Joe Farris officiating and Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Mrs. Nelson was preceded in death by her husband - Alto Nelson, father - Eddie Edgar Sasser, mother - Bessie Walker Sasser, sister - Shirley Sasser Kelley, brothers - Howard Sasser, John Grady Sasser, and Randall Sasser.

Survivors include her brother: Charles Sasser, Elba; and numerous nieces and nephews, whom she loved and treated as her children.

MARY ANN DAVIS

Mrs. Mary Ann Davis, age 79, of Troy, Ala., died Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Funeral services were Friday, April 8, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home Chapel in Elba, Ala., with Dr. Malone Chandler and Rev. Dustin Wise Carver officiating. Burial followed in the Haw Hill Assembly of God Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

She was preceded in death by her parents - Lewis & Ruby Nunnelee, two brothers - Ervin & Charles Nunnelee, mother and father-in-law - Frank & Beulah Davis, granddaughter - Samantha

Leann Nolin, and a son-in-law - Freddie Napper.

Survivors include her husband: Donald Davis, Troy; daughters: Mary Jo (Jamie) Nolin, Elba, Jane (Larry D) Green, Troy; sons: Donny Gene (Samantha J.) Davis, Deatsville, Ala., Wayne (Anthony Hinkelmann) Davis, Canton, Ga., sister: Nora Lee McClendon, Troy, Ruby Faye Byrd, Mobile, Ala.; sister-in-law: Sarah (Roger) Brannon, Enterprise, Ala.; aunt: Vera Mae Dekle, Montgomery, Ala.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

TOM TINDOL

Mr. Tom Tindol, age 72, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, April 7, 2022, at his home.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 10, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Mark Ward officiating. Burial followed in the Woodland Grove Community Cemetery under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to the Eanon Baptist Church building fund, c/o Lesa Hider, 1891 County Road 114, Jack, AL 36346.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Vonnie and Roy Tindol.

Survivors include his wife: Jumell Barker Tindol, Elba; daughter: Kim Manring, Enterprise, Ala.; son: Clint Tindol, Enterprise; grandson: Gabe Manring, and granddaughters: Alyssa Tindol, and Teagan Tindol, all of Enterprise; along with a brother: Jackey (Susan) Tindol, Enterprise; and a sister: Wanda Tindol Smith, Elba.

ROSLYN WEED BRAGG WATFORD

Mrs. Roslyn Weed Bragg Watford, age 77, a resident of Dothan, Ala., died Monday, April 11, 2022, at a Dothan hospital.

A celebration of her life will be held at 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at Sunset Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Ralph Sigler and Pastor Larry Anderson officiating. A small graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 15, 2022, at Hillcrest Cemetery in Elba. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 4-5 p.m. Mrs. Watford was born on Nov. 29, 1944 in Elba and lived the early years of her life there. She was an Elba High School graduate and moved to Dothan shortly thereafter. Mrs. Watford was a member of Harvest Church in Dothan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Ethel Weed, by her two husbands, Edgar Bragg and Rusty Watford, by her siblings, Joe Russell and Beth Weed, and by a special niece, Susan Russell Parker.

Survivors include her daughter: Shanna (Ron) Elert; her grandson: Riggs Elert; several great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and a special nephew, Mike Russell.

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Coffee County Landowner's Tour...On Friday, April 1, a landowner's tour was held at the property of Julian LeCompte. The tour was sponsored by the Coffee County Forestry Advisory Committee in conjunction with the Alabama Forestry Commission and the Coffee County Soil and Water Conservation District. LeCompte's property is located on County Road 643 with the primary objective to provide sustained income from timber through proper forest management techniques with emphasis on saw timber. His secondary objective is enhancing the wildlife population (deer & turkey) through maintaining wildlife openings while supplying adequate cover for desired wildlife species. The farm consists of 197 acres with a total of 143 acres of managed loblolly pines. During the tour, several interesting subjects were discussed including Quail Management, Site Prep and Planting, Marketing your timber, Establishing hunting leases, and Cost share opportunities. Reportedly, there was a great turnout and everyone enjoyed the beautiful weather. Lunch was provided for participants.

Textbook rental program to start this fall at ESCC

Starting this fall, Enterprise State Community College students will have the opportunity to rent textbooks through the on-campus bookstore.

"College employees have worked diligently to find a more affordable way for students to acquire textbooks for their classes," ESCC's Acting President Danny Long said. "Studies show that students are less likely to purchase textbooks when they are priced too high, which impacts student success in the classroom. Our new rental program, known as the ALL-IN Textbook Rental Program, will be more affordable than purchasing textbooks separately as students have done in the past."

The new ALL-IN Textbook Rental Program will start Fall 2022. When program participants register for fall classes, the textbook fee will be automatically applied to their account.

The ALL-IN Program fee is \$25 per credit hour, which allows students to receive a significant savings.

Funding made available for shade structures at Alabama Title I schools

Skin cancer is one of the most preventable cancers, yet an estimated 1 in 5 Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime. The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) encourages everyone to be aware of the dangers of overexposure to ultraviolet (UV) rays and the importance of practicing sun safety. Children are often vulnerable to exposure to UV rays on playgrounds or recreational areas during school.

The ADPH Comprehensive Cancer Control Program announces an opportunity for Alabama Title I public schools to apply for funding for shade structures. The program provides funds to install permanent shade structures for outdoor locations that are not protected from the sun, such as playgrounds or recreational spaces.

Each shade structure grant is valued at a maximum of \$15,000 which includes the cost for a shade structure and installation. The number of awards depends on the availability of funding annually. The deadline to receive applications is June 30, 2022.

Sun safety tips to help protect skin from the sun:

The American Academy of Dermatology recommends choosing a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30. Make sure it has UVA and UVB protection.

• Apply sunscreen 20 to 30 minutes before going outside and remember to reapply after swimming.

• Wear a hat with a wide brim to protect face, head, ears and neck.

• Wear sunglasses that are made to block 100 percent of UVA and UVB rays.

• Limit exposure to the sun during the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when UV rays are most intense.

• Seek shade when possible.

Maintenance Technology, Avionics, Mechatronics, and specific academic classes that do not require a book. All required course material will be covered in the ALL-IN fee, except specialty kits.

Students are not required to participate in the program, so there is an option for students to opt-out of this program if they do not feel it will benefit them. However, students are urged to remain in the program for the financial benefit they will receive. If a student chooses to opt-out, this must be done prior to any tuition payments being made or financial aid disbursements being processed to a student's account.

Questions regarding the program can be directed to Jessica Wendel at jwendel@escc.edu.

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The grief journey is a difficult one. But the good news is you can use this experience to grow. Six ways to grow on your grief journey.

Recognize Your Own Strengths. This is likely not your first crisis or loss. Look back on other challenges you have faced and think about what strategies helped you then. Maybe it was having someone to talk to. Maybe it was your own resourcefulness. Your spirituality can also help you address your loss. It may be helpful to talk to those who share similar beliefs.

Focus on the Positive Bond. Even though your loved one is gone, it doesn't mean they must be forgotten or replaced. They will never truly leave you. Instead, focus on your loved one's legacy and the good memories you have. One way you can help keep their memory alive is by creating something like a photo album or memory box.

Change Negative Thought Patterns. It can be tempting to focus on negative things such as the tragedy of the loss of your loved one. However, it is possible to reframe the language surrounding your loss. Recognize when your negative thoughts are starting to take over and change your language. Focus on positive language such as the courage you are showing while you meet the challenges of loss.

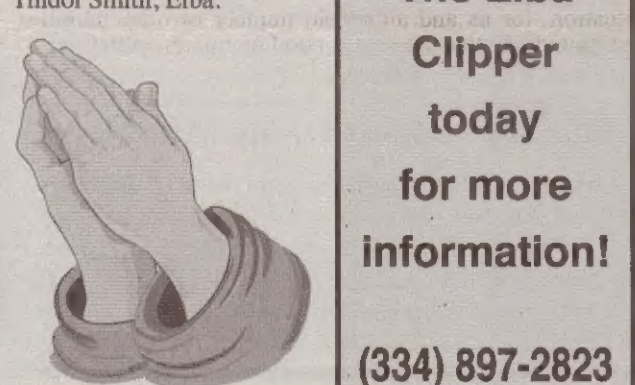
Check in With Yourself. Take a purposeful look at your journey from time to time. Think about how you have changed. Ask yourself what new skills you have gained or what new insights you have developed. You might even want to keep a journal of your experience so you can see your progress.

Use Your Support Systems. The grief journey is a difficult one and you shouldn't have to go on it alone. If friends or family offer support, take it. And don't hesitate to reach out and ask for help. Sometimes people want to help, they just don't know how. If you don't have friends or family to support you, consider joining a grief support group.

Stay Hopeful. Know your grief journey will have ups and downs, and your life will be forever changed. You can still find joy and happiness again. Think about your future and where you would like to be, and then make small changes to help you reach your goal.

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Paul Jackson, Pastor
Covenant Community Church

Easter's Welcome

Hello, Friends. Happy Easter!

Because of Easter (the Cross and Resurrection of Jesus from the grave), there is now a marvelous new gift that is available in our world. I call it "Easter's Welcome."

This gift is the proprietary domain of the church, too. The world wants it desperately but has no way to achieve or deliver it. All the world has to offer people is "affinity"—competing groups with competing agendas. Only God's people, the church, can give "Easter's Welcome" to the world. In fact, it's part of our calling and mission in the world—to be carriers of this marvelous gift into our breaking and broken world.

"So what is this gift?" you may be asking. What is "Easter's Welcome?"

Quite simply, it's the gift of inclusivity. Let me explain.

Jesus in his death and resurrection, made eternal life possible, not just for some, but for everyone who will believe—Jew or non-Jew (See Rom. 1:16). After all, we're all in the same boat, right? Say it with me: We are all sinners. (See Rom. 3:22-23; BTW—if you need help filling in the blank, the word is "sinners"). I like how the Apostle Paul puts it in Titus 2:11, writing that "God's readiness to give and forgive is now public. Salvation is available for everyone!" (The Message, italics added). Pretty inclusive, right?

In Galatians 3:26-29, Paul writes about how inclusive Christ's family should be: "In Christ's family there can be no division into Jew and non-Jew, slave and free, male and female. Among you are all equal. That is, we are all in a common relationship with Jesus Christ. Also, since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous 'descendant,' heirs according to the covenant promises." (MSG).

Friends, did you get the dynamic truth of that passage? Here it is in its beautiful simplicity: It's the gospel of Jesus Christ that transcends ethnic, social, sexual and, I would add, any other distinctive there is. The gospel breaks down barriers and calls us to something far greater than affinity; it calls us to true unity and peace with others, despite differences.

How, you may be wondering? One more passage of scripture tells us. Read slowly: "Christ brought us together through his death on the Cross. The Cross got us to embrace, and that was the end of the hostility. Christ came and preached peace to you outsiders and peace to us insiders. He treated us as equals, and so made us equals. Through him we both share the same Spirit and have equal access to the Father. That's plain enough, isn't it? You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here . . ." (Eph. 2:16-19, MSG).

Church. Inclusivity. Belonging. You may be thinking that those words don't go together. Oh, but they do. It's called "Easter's Welcome."

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

Newbia Baptist Church plans Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 16th, at 11 a.m.

Newbia Baptist Church, located at 3819 County Road 330, Elba, Ala., will host an Easter Egg Hunt & More on Saturday, April 16 from 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on the church grounds. Along with the Easter Egg Hunt for children, there will be finger foods, and games. Everyone is invited to attend.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: The Lord the Shepherd of His people. [Psalm 23: 1-6]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Inez B Long, Joyce S Jones, Nathaniel (Charlie) Smith, Michael M Manning, Clarice Fitch, Paula Woodfolk, Betty Moore, Lizzie P Wright

April Birthdays / Anniversaries

Connie W. Banks 4/3
Betsy Magwood Hooks 4/3
Brenda Brooks 4/4
Andrexia "JoJo" McBride 4/4 (in memory)
Brandon Reese 4/5
Rev. Lovell and Ida Martin 4/6 W.A.
Marquez Tyson 4/6
Miguel Banks 4/7
Louise W. Harris 4/8
Hillard Hamm 4/8 (in memory)

Yes, We Pray...But "Always"?

In the immediate aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attack, Americans spontaneously turned to God in prayer. President Bush subsequently proclaimed September 14 as a National Day of Prayer and Remembrance. Bells rang across the land at noon as churches opened their doors for memorial services. That evening, candlelight services marked the solemn occasion. But the change didn't hold for long. Even as the clean-up of the massive pile of rubble and human remains continued, Americans returned to everyday habits. Prayer was again tucked away like a spare tire — to be saved for use when the next calamity struck. Tucked-away prayer is symptomatic of a tucked-away God. More than one commentator agreed with Anne Graham Lotz (Billy Graham's daughter) when she said, "For several

years now Americans in a sense have shaken their fist at God and said, 'God, we want you out of our schools, our government, our business, we want you out of our marketplace.' And God, who is a gentleman...(has removed) his hand of blessing and protection." Whether one agrees with these thoughts or not, Jesus' instruction is still valid: we ought always to pray! What are we saying about our relationship with Him if we view prayer as only our "spare tire" to be used in emergencies? — C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 4/14/22

Fill in the Blank
Q: Micahiah saw all Israel as _____ that have not a _____

A: Sheep/Shepherd [1 King 22:17]

Q: The people of Israel blamed their _____ by quoting a proverb involving sour _____

A: Ancestors/grapes [Ezekiel 18:2]

Q: Jesus said to seek God's Kingdom and His _____

A: Righteousness [Matthew 6:33]

Thought to Remember

Do good to those who aren't good.

Questions for the Week of 4/21/22

True or False

Q: When Simon Peter admitted to being sinful he fell down at Jesus' knees?
Q: Simon Peter was a rival of James and John in the fishing business.

Q: At the Last Supper, Jesus prayed for God to remove His disciples from the world?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Greater New Zion MB Church of Elba to host Virtual Career Fair for students

Greater New Zion can also ask questions.

Missionary Baptist Church, of Elba, will host a Virtual Career Fair on Saturday, April 23, from 9-10:15 a.m. for students. Students will have the opportunity to select two careers of interest and attend two breakout rooms to learn more about these careers. They

Careers that will be represented include: principal, military, nurse, pharmacist, attorney, banker, realtor, news anchor, physical therapist, and more. Register at: <https://forms.gle/1HTg2ZESGtLSwq6>

This event is free and open to the public.

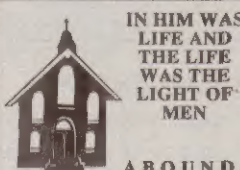
Community Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 17 • 6:20 a.m.

Westside Baptist Church, Elba

Breakfast to Follow • All are Invited!

Church Directory



IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Rocky Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Reemona Smith, Pastor
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" . . . 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer . . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
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Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
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Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

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Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC
Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer . . . 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Edinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Olson Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Lorelei Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNIT-CHURCH
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

PRATHE & GLOVE WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
Pastor Bishop E.H. HHH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship . . . 12 noon
Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon. . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed

LIFESTYLES



IT'S TRIPLETS! Lauretta Richardson of Elba is proud to share the arrival of her great-grandchildren, triplets Karsyn, Kalani, and Kelyn. The triplets were born Feb. 25, 2022, and are the children of Emily Bell of Lafayette, Louisiana. At birth, Karsyn was 4 lbs. 4 oz.; Kalani was 3 lbs. 8 oz.; and Kelyn was 3 lbs. 7 oz. — they are pictured above with their grandmother, Pam Berry, holding them sitting next to mom, Emily. The triplets also are the grandchildren of Keith Bell of Elba.

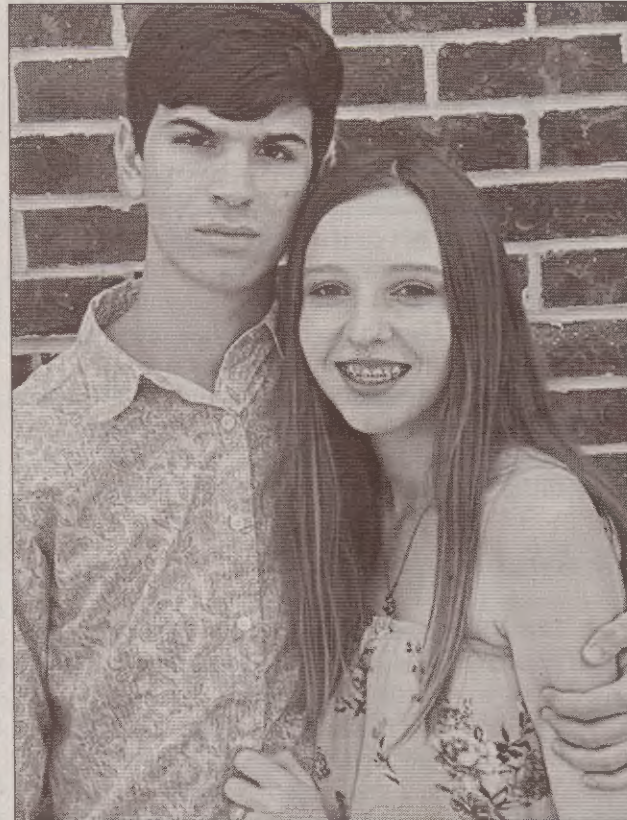
NOTICE:

The Evergreen Cemetery Board will hold its regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, April 14, at 6 p.m. at Elba City Hall, located at 200 Buford Street, Elba, Ala. The meeting is open to the public.

Elba Chamber hosting events in April...

• The Elba Chamber of Commerce is hosting Walking Tours of the downtown area each Saturday morning in April, beginning at 10 a.m. The tours begin from the Elba Chamber office, located on Factory Avenue.

• The Elba Chamber of Commerce will host the "Don't Drop It On Elba" clean-up campaign Saturday, April 23, from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Citizens will gather to pickup trash around the Elba area, and lunch will be provided for participants by the Elba Chamber at 12 noon at TigerTown Park. Call (334) 897-3125 for more info. or to sign up to help.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rodriguez****Marriage celebration for Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez planned for April 23 in Elba**

In a private ceremony, Miss Grace Cline and Mr. Jacob Rodriguez were married on August 18, 2022.

A marriage celebration is planned for Saturday, April 23, 2022, at First Baptist Church in Elba, beginning at 2 p.m., with a reception to follow at 5 p.m. at 85 Highway 84 Access Road, Elba.

No local invitations are being sent, but all family and friends are invited to attend.



LITTLE MISS ZION CHAPEL WORKING FOR HER COMMUNITY... Recently crowned Little Miss Zion Chapel Isabella Boutwell went to work almost immediately after receiving her title. She started a drive to collect books for her first grade class at Zion Chapel. Her goal was 200 books, but a total of 370 books were collected! These books were divided between the three first grade classes at Zion Chapel School for the students to enjoy. The Miss Zion Chapel queens are sponsored by Altrusa International of Jack, Alabama. Isabella is pictured above.

Raised bed gardening workshop set for April 29 in Elba

The Coffee County Extension office will host a raised bed gardening workshop Friday, April 29, at 1 p.m. at the Elba First United Methodist Church fellowship hall in downtown Elba.

This workshop will cover topics related to raised bed gardening including construction of raised beds, soil amendments for raised beds, what to plant; how to plant, plant spacing, and more. Participants

will then be able to practice what they learn by helping plant the Giving Garden in Elba, located behind the old Coffee County Jail in Elba.

The Giving Garden is a community garden that promotes healthy eating by producing fresh vegetables that are donated to the Elba Food Bank, and then distributed to those in need. Everyone is welcome to

attend this meeting, register to attend by calling the Coffee County Extension office at 334-894-5596, and let the staff know if accommodations are required.

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Friday, April 15, for Good Friday!

Members of Elba's Class of '66 gather for monthly breakfast meeting

Several members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 gathered earlier this week for a monthly breakfast meeting for the group. The gathering was Tuesday morning, April 12, at Juliette's Restaurant in Elba. The photos to the right and below show the class members enjoying a great time of fellowship while eating breakfast. Those attending this month's gathering included: Harry Young, Kenneth Baker, Merrill Shirley, Bobby Edmondson, Jackey Tindol, Eddie Thompson, Butch Oggs, Lewey Stephens, Sara Strong, Neal Hutto, Terry Calhoun, and Jerome Blackmon.

**Local gardener reaches 2,000+ volunteer hours**

"Reach for the Stars" is a volunteer service recognition program approved by the State Master Gardener Board of Directors. The "Reach for the Stars" program has two purposes:

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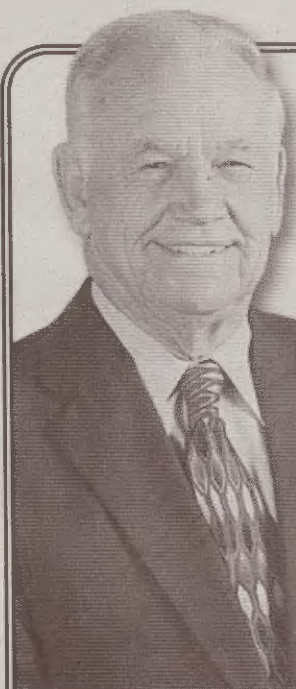
**Easter Egg Hunt planned for April 17th**

The Mulberry Heights Community Coalition in Elba will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 17, beginning at 3 p.m.

This event will include food, games, music by DJ Flake, and of course, the egg hunt! The Easter Bunny also is expected to make a guest appearance.

This is for children ages 1-12. The event will be at the Gaines Water Park in the Mulberry Heights community of Elba.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

We went out to eat over the weekend to help celebrate a family birthday and as always Lawson had a hard time trying to decide what he wanted off the children's menu. He can never pick just one item off the menu, but we did tell him that three items may be a little more than he could eat and after a few minutes he narrowed his list down to a cheeseburger and chicken fingers, and left off the macaroni and cheese. Life is filled with hard choices, even at age nine!

For what it is worth....

*** *The Elba Tigers may already be out* of the playoff picture in high school baseball, but they proved they were still playing to win Friday night when they rebounded from a 15-1 loss to Zion Chapel the night before to sweep the Rebels in a doubleheader. Elba got complete game outings from pitchers Ty Sieving and Carson Wise in the two wins and limited the Rebels to just nine hits in the two-game sweep. Elba may be playing just for pride after being eliminated from any playoff consideration, but after last week it is easy to see 'Tiger Pride' is still alive and the Tigers still have plans to add more wins to their side of the ledger.

*** *The Elba Lady Tigers came back* from a long layoff due to in-climate weather and spring break and dropped two area games to see their regular season record dip below the .500 mark for the first time since early in the season. The Lady Tigers seem to have been plagued by off the field distractions all season, including last week, and need to just get back to the field for practice and games to get ready for an area tournament run.

*** *It was a busy week back for the teams* in the area as both the baseball and softball regular seasons began to draw to a close. On the baseball diamond, New Brockton snapped an eight-game losing streak and took a giant step toward the playoffs with a series sweep over area foe Pike County, while Brantley clinched the area title with a wild 20-15 win over Red Level and pushed its record above the .500 mark for the first time this season. Zion Chapel saw its post-season hopes dashed with a series loss to Elba and will now try to hold on and finish the season with a winning record after a fast start, and Kinston lost to a 3A and a 4A opponent, but is much better than its record may indicate and still has time to have some fun and pick up some wins. Over on the softball field, New Brockton saw its area title hopes dashed with a loss to Opp, but have won eight of its last ten games after an 0-6 start and are definitely a team to watch once the post-season party gets started. Kinston picked up a big win over county-rival Zion Chapel and has quietly turned into a very good 1A club with its sights set on a trip to the regional tourney, while Zion Chapel saw its four-game winning streak snapped, but is still a dangerous opponent for any 2A foe, and top-ranked Brantley picked up a big win over 3A power Opp and is picking up steam as the post-season nears.

*** *Former Elba Tiger and Enterprise State Community College baseball standout Grant Akridge* was back in the news last week when he was named the 'Player of the Week' in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference after a monster game in a conference win over Lane College. Akridge, now a senior standout at Spring Hill College, in Mobile, blasted three home runs and knocked in seven runs in the Badgers big conference win to garner weekly honors for the first time this season. Akridge has played in all 28 Spring Hill games this season and boasts a .280 batting average with 26 hits, 35 runs scored, 33 rbi's, 4 doubles and 7 home runs. The hard hitting Akridge has also been walked 20 times and hit by a pitch five times, which put him on base 25 more times without getting a hit. There has never been any doubt Grant was one of the best athletes to come through Elba High, and he is still proving that true today.

*** *In closing....* I have watched the Atlanta Braves this week as they opened the season and as always don't agree with a lot of what manager Brian Snitker does, but since he led the Braves to the world series title last year I guess I just have to sit back and agree to disagree. I still believe he pulls his starting pitchers too quick, burns out his relievers and needs to do a better job using the designated hitter. However, it is what it is and the Braves are winning and are already over .500 for the season.

With doubleheader sweep

Tigers win area series over Rebels

The Elba Tigers rallied after a 15-1 opening game blowout loss on Thursday night to sweep the Zion Chapel Rebels 8-1 and 11-8 in a Friday doubleheader to win the area series.

Following are highlights of the three-game series:

(Game 1)

Zion Chapel 15 Elba 1

The Elba Tigers fell behind 9-0 in the second inning and never challenged in a 15-1 area loss to the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels, in game one of the series, Thursday night, at Zion Chapel.

Whitt Shehee had 1 hit and 1 rbi to lead the Tigers at the plate, while Brady Johnson and Cameron Gray both added 1 hit. Two Elba pitchers combined to toss four innings and allowed 11 earned runs on 13 hits and five walks.

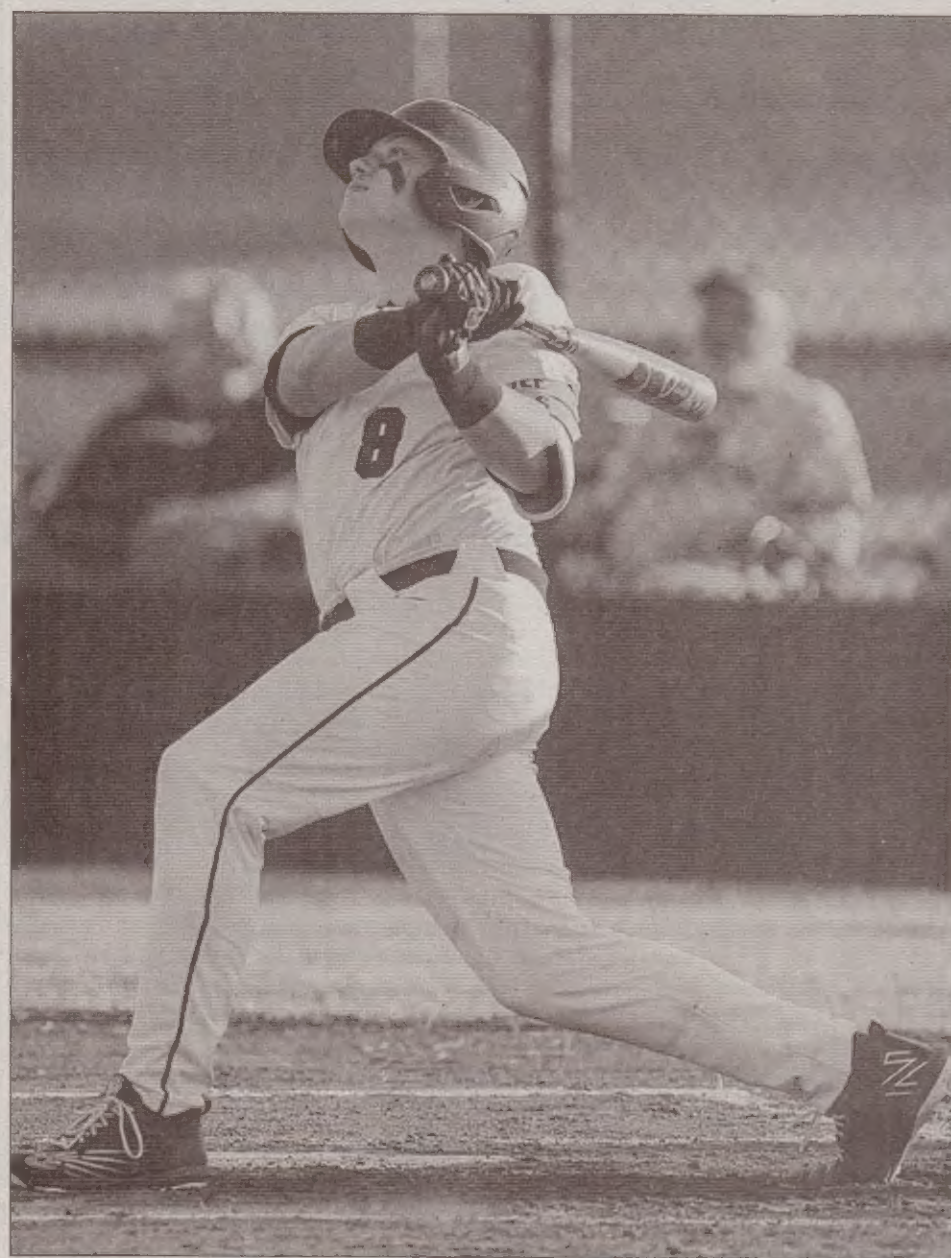
Brodie Stinson had 3 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Rebels at the plate, while Dayne Bannin added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 4 rbi's; Paden Boothe added 2 hits and had 1 rbi; Wes Braisted added 1 hit and scored 3 runs; and, Mason Stuart and John Foster Hamm both added 1 hit and 2 rbi's. Paden Boothe was the winning pitcher as he tossed five innings and allowed one earned run on three hits and five walks, while recording eight strikeouts.

(Game 2)

Elba 8 Zion Chapel 1

The Elba Tigers used a six-run third inning to take command and rode the strong arm of pitcher Ty Sieving to claim an 8-1 game-two win the area series, Friday afternoon, in Elba.

Paxton Wise had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's to lead the Tigers at the plate, while Cameron Gray added 2 hits and 1 rbi; Whit Shehee added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Collin Sauls added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Ty Sieving added 1 hit and



Elba Tiger Whit Shehee (8) watches it fly after hitting a deep fly ball in recent action. Shehee had 3 hits, scored 4 runs and added 2 rbi's to help the Tigers win last week's area series with Zion Chapel.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

scored 2 runs; and, Collin Arnold added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Ty Sieving was the winning pitcher as he tossed seven innings and allowed no earned runs on five hits, five walks and struck out five.

Bryce Watson had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Rebels at the plate, while Wes Braisted, Paden Boothe and Mason Stuart all added 1 hit.

(Game 3)

Elba 11 Zion Chapel 8

The Elba Tigers used a ten-run third inning to erase

a 7-1 deficit and never lost command to complete a doubleheader sweep with a wild 11-8 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels.

Whit Shehee had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead the Tigers at the plate, while Paxton Wise added 2 hits, a double and a triple, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Collin Arnold added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Carson Wise, Brady Johnson and Collin Sauls all added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. Tiger pitcher Carson

Wise overcame nine Elba errors as he tossed a complete game four hitter and allowed only one earned run.

Mason Stuart had 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's to lead the Rebels at the plate, while Wes Braisted added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; and, Brodie Stinson and Paden Boothe both added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Two Rebel pitchers combined to toss six innings and allowed four earned runs on eight hits and six walks.

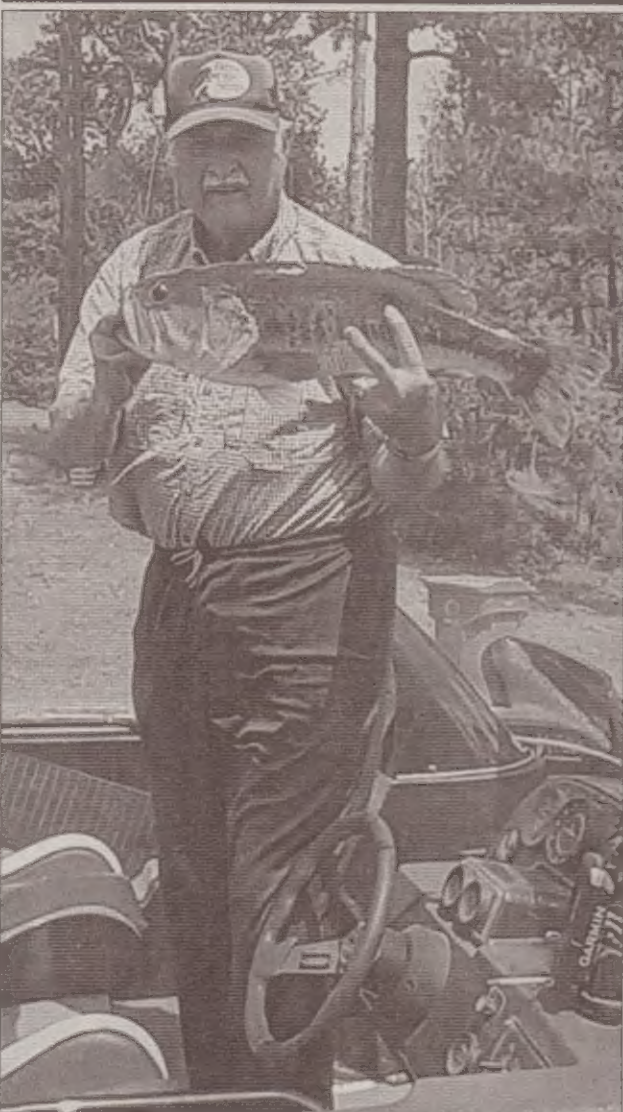
Lady Tigers drop two area games

The Elba Lady Tigers returned to action after a week off and found the going a little too tough as they dropped area matchups to G.W. Long 18-2 and Arifton 11-0.

The Lady Tigers jumped out to an early 2-0 first inning lead on a two-run homer run by Ayrika Caldwell and were still on top 2-0 heading into the bottom of the third. However, G.W. Long exploded for 18 runs in the bottom of the frame to claim the 13-2 win.

Ayrika Caldwell blasted a two-run homer to lead Elba at the plate, while Aimee Senn and Danielle Tidwell both added 1 hit. Two Lady Tigers pitchers combined to pitch two and two-thirds innings and allowed 16 earned runs on nine hits and nine walks.

The Lady Tigers fell behind 6-0 in the top of the first inning and never recovered in an 11-0 loss to Arifton. Destinee Caldwell and Anna Caldwell both had 1 hit to lead the Lady Tigers.

OUTDOORS
SPOTLIGHT

John Crittenden caught this seven and one-half pound bass last week while fishing at the Coffee County Lake. Crittenden also caught a four-pounder, and put both lunkers back in the lake.

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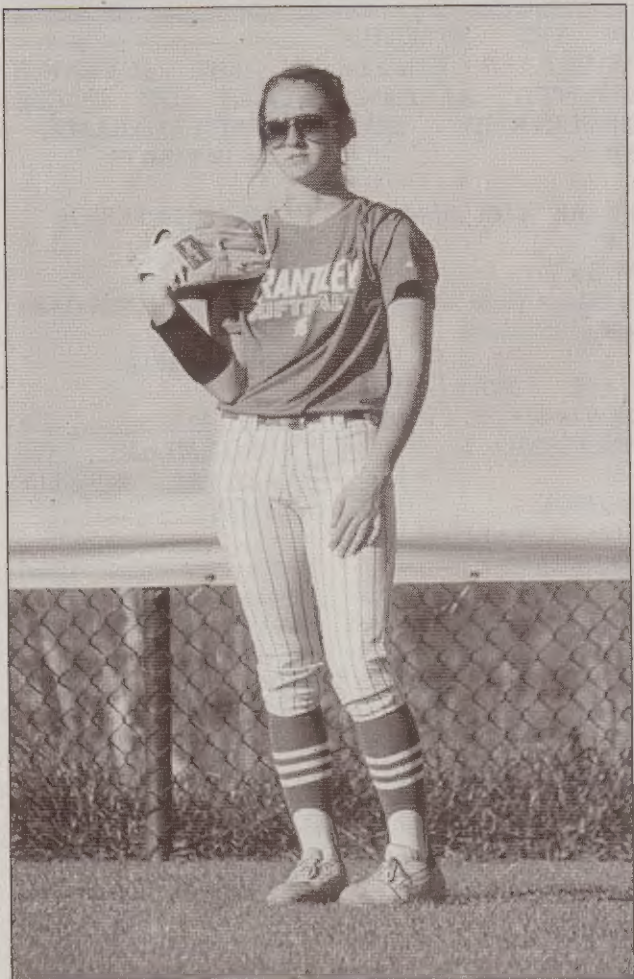
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SPORTS NEWS



Playing in the outfield can be easy at Brantley when 1A standout Kaylee Navaree is inside the circle.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)



The Zion Chapel Youth Sports T-Ball, Softball and Baseball programs had an opening day ceremony on Saturday, April 9, starting at 9 a.m. to kick off the beginning of the 2022 season. All players (pre-k through 6th grade) were in attendance on the field for the opening pitch thrown out by Coffee County Superintendent, Kelly Cobb, as shown above.

High School ** Baseball ** Softball **

DIAMOND DUST

Statistics by GAMECHANGER

BASEBALL:

Straughn 14 Kinston 3 – The Kinston Bulldogs trailed only 6-3 after three innings, but couldn't keep up late in a 14-3 loss to the Straughn Tigers. Owen Patterson had 1 hit and 2 rbi's to lead the Bulldogs, while CJ Lunsford added 1 hit and Cale Sumblin, Cade Jones and David Free all scored 1 run. Two Kinston pitchers combined to toss six innings and allowed 11 earned runs on 13 hits and two walks.

Charles Henderson 20 Brantley 6 – The Brantley Bulldogs fell behind 6-1 early and never recovered in a 20-6 loss to the Charles Henderson Trojans. Kaleb Weed had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead the Bulldogs, while Tucker Kilcrease added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Jordan Parks added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Cooper Layton added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Five Brantley pitchers combined to toss six innings and allowed eight earned runs on 13 hits and 12 walks.

Opp 13 Zion Chapel 3 – The Zion Chapel Rebels trailed only 2-1 after three innings, but saw the deficit grow late in the game in a 13-3 loss to the Opp Bobcats. Paden Boothe had 2 hits, including a double and a home run, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's to lead the Rebels, while Mason Stuart added 1 hit. Four Zion Chapel pitchers combined to toss five innings and allowed 11 earned runs on eight hits and seven walks.

New Brockton 13 Pike County 2 – The New Brockton Gamecocks used a seven-run third innings to take command and rolled to a big 13-2 area win over the Pike County Bulldogs. Kaden Cupp had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi to lead the Gamecocks, while Payton Green added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Gabe Herrington added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Jaxon Whitworth added 2 hits and scored 1 run; and, Colton McClenny added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's. Drew Cashin was the winning pitcher as he tossed five innings and allowed two earned runs on two hits and five walks, while striking out 15 batters.

Brantley 20 Red Level 15 – The Brantley Bulldogs used a nine-run third inning to open up a big lead and held on to outscore the Red Level Tigers 20-15. Kaleb Weed had 4 hits, scored 4 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead the Bulldogs, while Jon Bush added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; Tucker Kilcrease added 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 4 rbi's; Cooper Layton added 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 2 rbi's; Tyson Grant added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; and, Kendrick Welch added 2 hits and 2 rbi's. Three Bulldog pitchers were victimized by nine errors as they allowed three earned runs on nine hits and four walks, while striking out four.

New Brockton 18 Pike County 0 – The New Brockton Gamecocks completed a two-game area sweep with an 18-0 win over the Pike County Bulldogs. Kaden Cupp had 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks, while Drew Cashin added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's; Colton McClenny added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Payton Green added 2 hits and 4 rbi's; Gabe Herrington added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Dawson Peacock added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; and, Jaxon Whitworth added 1 hit, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's. Payton Green and Riley Simmons combined to toss five innings and allowed no runs on two hits, while striking out 11 batters.

SOFTBALL:

Zion Chapel 14 Geneva County 0 – The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels scored in every inning to post a solid 14-0 win over the Geneva County Lady Bulldogs. Elly Sanders had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Lady Rebels, while Sydney Boothe added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 4 rbi's; Kaylen McCallister added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Riley Bannin added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Alexis Wambles and Shea Wambles both added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Sydney Boothe was the winning pitcher as she tossed five innings and allowed one hit, with 11 strikeouts.

New Brockton 10 Pike County 6 – The Ne Brockton Lady Gamecocks scored six runs in the fifth inning to break a 4-4 tie and went on to claim a 10-6 win over the Pike County Lady Bulldogs. Jordyn Thornton and Kennedy Hussey both had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Kierstin Sunday added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Shelby Hobbs added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Megan Eldridge and Madison Meeks both added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. Jordyn Thornton was the winning pitcher as she tossed seven innings and allowed six earned runs on eight hits and five walks.

Slocumb 8 Kinston 5 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs fell behind 5-1 early and saw a late rally fall short in an 8-5 loss to the Slocumb Lady Red Tops. Kelsi Cardwell had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Anna Flowers added 1 hit and 1 rbi, Lilli Sumblin added 1 hit, and Cadence Elmore scored 2 runs.

Brantley 9 Opp 3 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs jumped



READY FOR BATTLE.... This New Brockton Gamecock had on his war paint last week when the Gamecocks battled Pike County in a key area series.

(Photo by Ashley Bertsch)

out to a 9-0 fourth inning lead and never looked back to post a 9-3 win over the Opp Lady Bobcats. Kayden Dunn had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; ZC Free added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Alex Grimes and Sheonte Barginere both added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Kaylee Navarre and AC Free combined to pitch seven innings and allowed three earned runs on three hits, with eleven strikeouts.

Kinston 6 Zion Chapel 4 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs rallied from an early 4-0 deficit to down the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels 6-4. Cadence Elmore had 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Kelsi Cardwell added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Faith Peters added 1 hit and had 2 rbi's; and, Sydney Smith added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. Sydney Smith was the winning pitcher as she tossed seven innings and allowed four earned runs on seven hits, with six strikeouts. Alexis Wambles had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead the Lady Rebels, while Kaylee Hodge added 2 hits and scored 1 run; Kaylen McCallister added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Shea Wambles added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

Opp 13 New Brockton 3 – The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks trailed only 3-2 after three innings, but couldn't keep up the pace in a 13-3 loss to the Opp Lady Bobcats. Lizzy Everts had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Kierstin Sunday added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Jordyn Thornton added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Two New Brockton pitchers combined to toss seven innings and allowed four earned runs

* Baseball 8 Softball *

SCHEDULES

Thursday, April 14

(Baseball)

New Brockton at Goshen (4:30)
Floral at Kinston DH (4:00)
Zion Chapel at G.W. Long DH (4:30)

(Softball)

Kinston at Pleasant Home (6:30)
Georgiana at Brantley DH (4:00)

Friday, April 15

(Baseball)

Elba at Wicksburg (4:30)
Goshen at New Brockton DH (4:30)
Brantley at McKenzie DH (4:00)

Saturday, April 16

(Baseball)

Kinston at Carroll DH (11:00)

Monday, April 18

(Baseball)

New Brockton at Luverne (4:00)
Brantley at Straughn (4:30)

(Softball)

G.W. Long at Elba (4:30)

Tuesday, April 19

(Baseball)

Elba at Geneva County (4:30)
New Brockton at Pike County (5:30)

(Softball)

Luverne at Elba (4:30)
G.W. Long at New Brockton (4:30)
Kinston at Paxton (5:00)
Brantley at Andalusia (4:30)
Ariton at Zion Chapel (4:30)
Georgiana at Brantley (3:30)

(Golf)

Elba, Brantley, at Elba C.C.

(Soccer)

New Brockton at Carroll W (6:00)

Thursday, April 21

(Softball)

Zion Chapel at Elba (4:30)
Brantley at Wicksburg (4:30)

(Soccer)

New Brockton at Northside Methodist W (4:30)

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CASE NO. PC 2022-020

NOTICE TO FILE
CLAIMS

Ancillary Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Henry Minter, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 29th day of March, 2022, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred.
/s/ Karen J Minter
Karen J. Minter
Personal Representative
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OF COFFEE COUNTY,
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CASE NO.: PC-2022-019

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OF LETTERS OF
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TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Karen Davis, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Rebecca Sue Morrow, deceased, on the 30th day of January, 2022; by the Honorable Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

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/s/ Karen Davis
Karen Davis
Personal Representative of the Estate of
Rebecca Sue Morrow,
deceased
4/14,21&28-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT
OF COFFEE COUNTY,
ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC 2022-022

IN THE MATTER OF
MARY ANN CROCKER,
deceased.

NOTICE OF
PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 5th day of April 2022 by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 5th day of April 2022.
/s/ DAVID JOHN CROCKER
Personal Representative
4/14,21&28-pd

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PUBLIC NOTICES:

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IN THE JUVENILE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ENTERPRISE DIVI-
SION

IN RE THE MATTER
OF:
M.G.C.

A minor child under the
age of 18 years.

CASE NO.: 71-JU-
2020-000221.02 (DOB:
09/13/2020);

NOTICE
TO ELIZABETH CA-
BALLERO:

You are hereby given notice that a petition has been filed by the Coffee County Department of Human Resources requesting that your parental rights be terminated to the following child: M.G.C. born 09/13/2020. You are hereby given notice that you are required to file an Answer with the Clerk of Juvenile Court and with the Petitioner's Attorney: Hon. Rachel H. Sullivan at P.O. Box 336, Geneva, AL 36340, within 14 days of the date of the last publication of this notice or a default judgment can be entered against you. A final hearing has been set for May 5, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Coffee County Courthouse in Enterprise, Alabama. You may appear and contest the same if you choose. DONE this 16th day of March, 2022.
/s/ JOSHUA F. WILSON
JUVENILE JUDGE
3/24, 3/31, 4/7 & 4/14-chg.

LEGAL NOTICE

NEWELL
ROADBUILDERS, INC.,
hereby gives notice of completion of contract with The State of Alabama for construction of Project No. ST-016-203-001 Coffee County. This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning on March 31, 2022, and ending on April 28, 2022. All claims should be filed at 13266 US Highway 31, Hope Hull, Alabama 36043, during this period.

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ROADBUILDERS, INC.
Contractor
3/31,4/7,14,21-chg

IN THE JUVENILE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. JU 2020-34.03
(FATHER)

IN THE MATTER OF
C.A.W.,
A minor child
d/o/b 05/21/2014

NOTICE OF
TERMINATION OF
PARENTAL RIGHTS
ACTION

Notice to: Mitchell Adam Whaley, the Father of C.A.W. dob 05/21/2014, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Coffee County Department of Human Resources' petition for Termination of Parental Rights and other relief by the 28th day of May 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. 19 JU 2020-34.03, in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division. A final hearing has been set for the 9th day of June, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division. Done this, the 23rd day of March, 2022.

Hon. Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Circuit
230 P Court Avenue
Elba, Alabama 36323
Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division.

David M. White
Attorney for CCDHR
P.O. Box 311412
Enterprise, Alabama 36331
3/31,4/7,14,4/21-4tc

IN THE JUVENILE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
C.A.W.,

CASE NO. JU 2020-34.03
A minor child
d/o/b 05/21/2014

NOTICE OF
TERMINATION OF
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ACTION

Notice to: Jana Cheri Whaley, the Mother of C.A.W. dob 05/21/2014, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Coffee County Department of Human Resources' petition for Termination of Parental Rights and other relief by the 28th day of May, 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against her in Case No. 19 JU 2020-34.03, in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division. A final hearing has been set for the 9th day of June, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division.

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IN THE PROBATE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF:
JOHN WINSTON SHIVER,
Deceased

CASE NO. PC-2022-021

NOTICE OF APPOINT-
MENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTRIX

Letter Testamentary under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to Betty L. Shiver on the 28th day of March, 2022, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Betty L. Shiver
Betty L. Shiver, Petitioner

Joel Lee Williams
Attorney At Law
75 North Court Square
P. O. Box 446
Troy, Alabama 36081-0446
(334) 566-8484
4-7,14,21-pd

Notice is hereby given that T&K CONSTRUCTION LLC has completed the contract for Construction of the "Coffee County Sanitary Landfill Cell 8 Construction" project located near Elba, Alabama for the Coffee County Commission. Anyone having claims against this project should contact the CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc. at 1829 E. Three Notch Street Andalusia, AL 36421 during this notice period.
3/24,3/31,4/7&4/14-chg



Elba High School baseball seniors honored Monday night, April 11, during "Senior Night"

The Elba High School baseball program honored four players Monday night, April 11, during "Senior Night" activities. The Tigers split a double-header with Samson on this special night, winning the first game.

Seniors recognized for their years of play with the Elba Tigers baseball program were Whit Shehee, Collin Sauls, Paxton Wise, and Carson Wise. Each of these Tigers has been a multi-sport athlete for Elba High School throughout his high school years.

All four have played sports together since their little league days with the Elba Parks and Recreation. The seniors, and their parents, officially were recognized between the two games Monday night, and following the second game, they were treated to hamburgers and cake.

Whit Shehee is the son of Kelly and Kayron Shehee; Collin Sauls is the son of Stevie and Denise Sauls; and Paxton and Carson Wise are the twin sons of Gappa and Mona Wise.



Collin Sauls, Paxton Wise, Whit Shehee, and Carson Wise were honored Monday night, April 11, during "Senior Night" festivities at the Elba High School baseball field on the Elba City Schools campus. These four young men have played sports together since their youth ball days with the Elba Parks and Recreation, and they have been multi-sport athletes throughout their high school days at Elba. Following Monday night's doubleheader with Samson, they seniors were treated to hamburgers and cake. In the photo to the left, they enjoyed cutting the first piece of their cake in unity. The seniors will complete their final high school baseball season later this month.

STATE OF ALABAMA • COFFEE COUNTY • PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to §17-6-4(b), Code of Alabama, 1975, I, Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate in and for Coffee County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the following notice outlines changes that have been made to the voting precincts in Coffee County, Alabama via prior resolution of the Coffee County Commission and as approved by the United States Department of Justice. Said changes may involve renumbering of precinct locations, elimination of certain precinct locations, or changes to precinct boundaries. I hereby give notice of the election districts (as designated in the map attached hereto) and the names of the voting places therein as set out below.

District 1

- 1 Elba Church of Christ, 715 N. Troy Highway, Elba
- 2 Wise Mill, 5906 Hwy 125, Elba
- 3 New Brockton Community Room, 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton
- 4 Pine Level Senior Center, 64 County Road 355, Elba
- 5 Newbia, 6221 County Road 306, Elba
- 6 Bluff Springs, 4011 County Road 305, Elba
- 7 Zion Chapel Senior Center, 28742 Hwy 87, Jack
- 8 Lee Community, 33 County Road 306, Elba

District 2

- 1 Heritage UMC, 2911 Rucker Blvd, Enterprise
- 2 Frisco, 8566 County Road 114, Brundidge
- 3 Eanon, 3605 County Road 148, New Brockton

District 3

- 1 Holley's Store, 2300 County Road 460, Samson
- 2 Damascus Senior Center, 127 County Road 514, Elba

- 3 Pleasant Ridge, 3925 County Road 610, Enterprise
- 4 Ino Senior Center, 6264 Hwy 134, Kinston
- 5 Goodman, 6714 County Road 625, Enterprise
- 6 Kinston City Hall, 856 Main Street N., Kinston
- 7 Basin, 9896 Hwy 189, Elba
- 8 Elba National Guard Armory, 348 Larkin Road, Elba

District 4

- 1 Enterprise State Comm College, 600 Plaza Drive, Enterprise
- 2 Mt. Pleasant Senior Center, 388 County Road 650, Enterprise
- 3 Cool Springs, 3215 County Road 708, Enterprise

District 5

- 1 Elba Zion Christian Comm. Center, 740 Adams St., Elba
- 2 New Brockton Senior Center, 130 Vester Cole St., New Brockton
- 3 Johns Chapel Church, 601 Geneva Hwy, Enterprise

District 6

- 1 YMCA, 904 Ozark Hwy, Enterprise

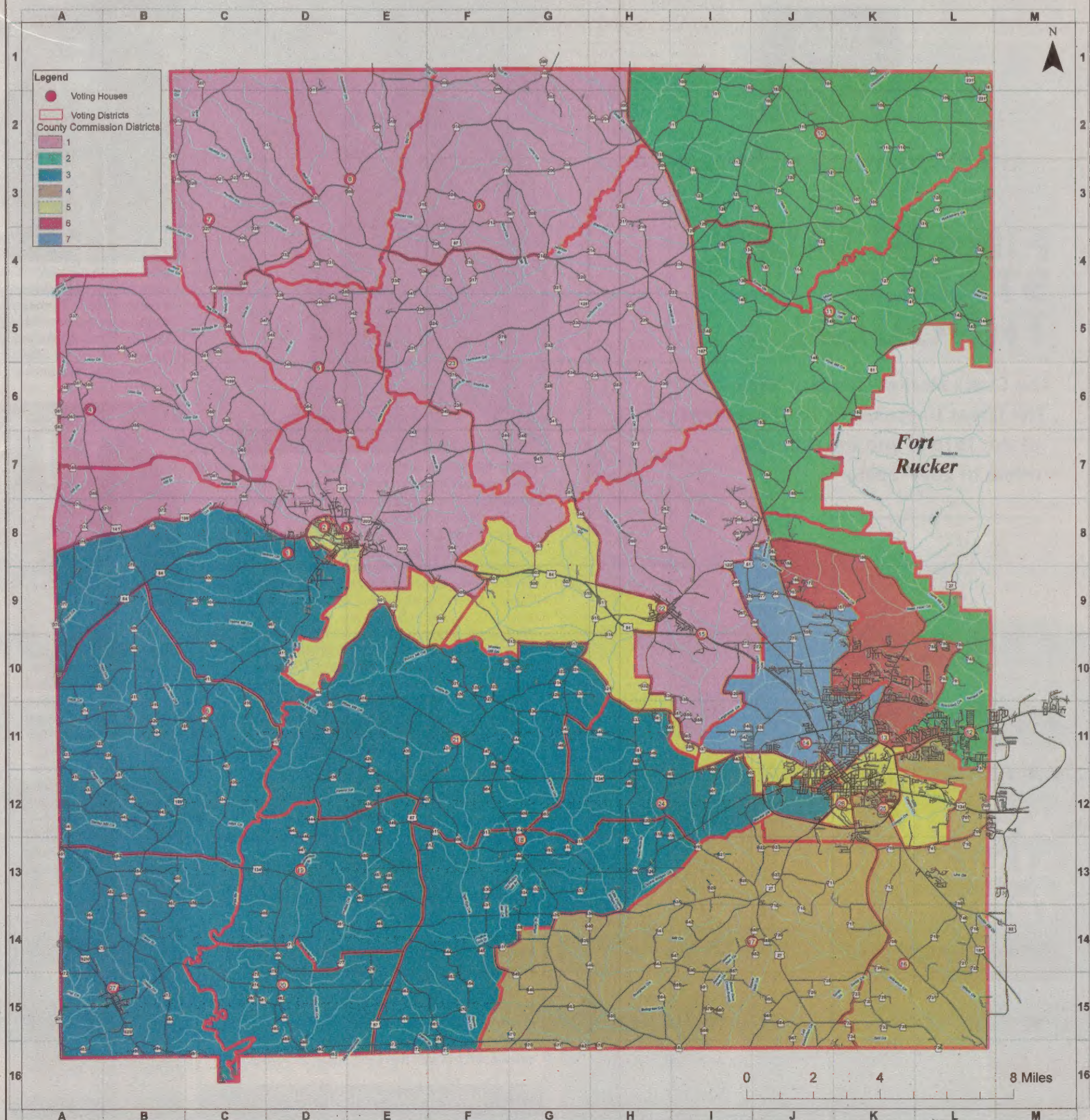
District 7

- 1 Enterprise Civic Center, 2401 Neil Metcalf Road, Enterprise

Notice is further given that prior to the May primary election, each active, registered voter in Coffee County will receive a postcard from the Coffee County Board of Registrars which will identify the voter's new precinct information.

Jodee R. Thompson,
Judge of Probate

Coffee County Commission



COMMUNITY NEWS

Elba celebrates business “under the lights” during annual Chamber Banquet

The Elba Chamber of Commerce invited the business community to celebrate “Under the Lights” Thursday evening, April 7, as the annual Chamber Banquet was held.

Despite a cool breeze, the lights of downtown Elba provided great illumination for the special evening where community leaders in Elba celebrated business. The banquet included a catered meal for all in attendance, an awards ceremony, a business session, and entertainment by the LBW Community College Ensemble.

Awards presented were: Chamber Board Member of the Year, Main Street Business of the Year, Chamber Member of the Year, Spirit of Elba, and Business of the Year.

Due to COVID, this was the first banquet the chamber had been able to host since 2019, and the large attendance proved the business community was ready to “get back together” and celebrate.

Also, during the banquet, Elba Mayor Tom Maddox presented a “key to the city” to the LBW Ensemble, which was graciously accepted by the ensemble’s director.

Chamber director Sandy Bynum-Williams also made a big economic announcement as she said Mizell Hospital is working to open an Elba Healthcare operation soon in the city.



MAIN STREET BUSINESS OF THE YEAR... Wildflowers Florist and Gifts received this award, which was presented to owners/siblings Marty and Delonda Harrelson by Chamber Board president Denise Sauls (center).



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR...The Business of the Year award was presented to LBW Community College because of its continued and growing partnerships with Elba City Schools and the Elba community. The community college offers dual enrollment classes for Elba High School students and it partners with Elba High’s Career Academy to help bring technical programs/studies to the students of the local area as well. The award was presented to LBWCC President Dr. Brock Kelley (holding the award) by Elba Chamber President Denise Sauls (standing next to Kelley). Also pictured from Elba City Schools are (left) Christina Morgan, Career Technical Coordinator, and Superintendent Chris Moseley.

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BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR...Justin Maddox, left, was presented the Board Member of the Year award for his dedication to the Elba Chamber. Pictured with Maddox is Elba Chamber Board President Denise Sauls.



CHAMBER MEMBER OF THE YEAR...Wise Construction, owned by Gappa Wise (left), received the Elba Chamber Member of the Year award. Pictured with Wise is Elba Chamber Board President Denise Sauls.

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SPIRIT OF ELBA AWARD...This year's Spirit of Elba Award was presented to retiring Senator Jimmy Holley. Senator Holley was unable to be at the banquet due to the state's Legislative Session running long last Thursday evening, but his son, John, accepted the award on his behalf. He said he spoke to his dad just prior to him being named the recipient of the award, and Senator Holley wanted everyone to know that he truly was honored to be named the Spirit of Elba Award winner. He said he loves Elba and Coffee County and has enjoyed his many years of service to the community in state politics. This was Holley's final regular session as a state legislator. Pictured above with John Holley is Elba Chamber Board President Denise Sauls.



Vocalists with the LBWCC Ensemble entertained the crowd last Thursday evening during the Elba Chamber Banquet. Among the vocalists was Elba's own Maggie Hammonds (far left).



Those in attendance for the Elba Chamber Banquet socialize prior to the start of the event last Thursday evening.

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office will be closed Friday, April 15, for Good Friday.

We wish everyone a blessed Easter!!